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In re Patent Application of ) **MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**  
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 For: BIOCATALYST FOR PRODUCTION OF ) **MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**  
 D-LACTIC ACID )

**SECOND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the accompanying information is being submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the cited documents is enclosed.

I, the undersigned, hereby state in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1) that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three (3) months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. Therefore, Applicants believe no fee is necessary.

To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08b. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner-initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

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